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Hi, Karen --

Just wanted to update you on Ft. Meade's QA/QC review of the existing data from Cabot's initial 104e response. I'm attaching a table and two checklists. We are using the checklists to inventory the amount of QC in each data file. This will serve two purposes: 1) to make a determination whether there is enough QC present to validate the data; and 2) to document exactly which QC information is missing and/or needed, should we want to specifically request it from Cabot and their labs. The table documents each file by report title, date, and analyses. It also provides a recommendation on the limited use of the data and cross-references the affected samples.

Please take a look at these and let me know your thoughts. Is there anything that you were expecting to see that isn't in here? Thanks!

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Only four types of organizations need to worry about data quality:

*Those that care about their customers,
Those that care about profit and loss,
Those that care about their employees, and
Those that care about their futures.*

– Thomas C. Redman (2006)